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June 18, 2003

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RE: **NEASE CHEMICAL**

> COLUMBIANA COUNTY OHIO EPA ID # 215-0555

MFLBC SAND BAR INVESTIGATION

CERTIFIED MAIL & FAX

Dear Mr. Finn:

The U.S. EPA and Ohio EPA (Agencies) have reviewed the Middle Fork of Little Beaver Creek (MFLBC) Sand Bar Investigation Work Plan submitted by Golder and Associates on behalf of RÜTGERS Organics Corporation (ROC) on February 7, 2003. The scope of this project was to remove sand bars and debris from the MFLBC, which the county engineer has stated is causing flooding in the area of Franklin Square. The county is proposing to lower each sand bar by about two to three feet over a distance of less than 100 feet. ROC is proposing to perform sediment sampling prior to any work taking place.

ROC will conduct the sediment sampling consistent with Ohio EPA's letter to Columbiana County dated November 5, 2002 (see attached). Samples will be collected from three different locations in a sand bar and at two different depths. Methodologies used for sampling will be consistent with sampling procedures previously utilized for sediments in the MFLBC.

The Agencies have no further comments regarding the sampling plan and the work may commence at your earliest convenience. Please notify the Agencies when the sampling has been scheduled so that we can meet you at the sites.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact us immediately at the telephone numbers listed below.

Sincerely,

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